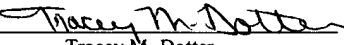


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Title:	GAS FLOW CONTROL		

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT (37 C.F.R. §1.97(b))

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Dear Sir:

With regard to the above-identified application, the items of information listed herein are brought to the attention of the Examiner.

This statement should be considered because it is submitted either within three months of the filing date or before the first Office Action of the above-identified application. Accordingly, no fee is due for consideration of the items listed.

The Applicant also brings to the Examiner's attention co-pending Patent Application number 10/622,066 entitled "Gas Flow Control" by Baarda filed on July 17, 2003; and Patent Application number 10/622,102 entitled "Gas Flow Control" by Baarda et al. filed on July 17, 2003.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(2), and the 05 August 2003 Official Gazette Notice, only a copy of each foreign document or non-U.S. patent/application listed on the enclosed Form 1449 is provided.

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Consideration of the items listed is respectfully requested. Pursuant to the provisions of M.P.E.P. 609, it is requested that the Examiner return a copy of the attached Form 1449, marked as being considered and initialed by the Examiner, to the undersigned with the next official communication.

Respectfully submitted,

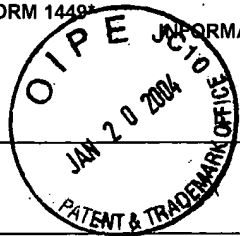
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